

for recently celebrating 30 years of distinguished service at East River Electric.

Jeff Nelson understands the word dedication. Mr. Nelson was born and raised in Marion, SD, where he attended high school. After graduating from South Dakota State University in 1971 with a degree in electrical engineering, he entered the U.S. Army and was stationed in Germany. From 1971 to 1974, he served as an officer in the U.S. Army's Armored Division. After honorably serving, he and his wife, Trudi, relocated to Madison where he started working for East River Electric.

I know first hand that Jeff has done a great deal to improve the lives of countless South Dakotans. He is a tremendously talented man with a great deal of energy and ambition. He is not only a good friend, but a person who may staff and I deal with closely. As general manager of East River Electric since 1990, he has earned the respect and admiration of all those who have had the opportunity to work with him.

East River Electric is a power supply cooperative which serves wholesale electricity to 22 member systems, which in turn serve over 82,000 homes and businesses. The 36,000 square mile service area covers 41 counties in Eastern South Dakota and nine counties in western Minnesota.

Jeff's friendly demeanor and wealth of knowledge have helped him develop close relationships with his colleagues and with community leaders throughout our State. This friendly attitude has led to numerous elected posts and honors. He is currently the president of the Mid-West Electric Consumers Association board of directors, Upper Great Plains Region Affiliate of Western States Power Corporation board of directors, chairman of the Power and Water Resources Standing Committee of the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association, and vice president of the Western States Power Corporation board of directors. Among his many philanthropic efforts are the organizer of the Lake County Food Pantry, treasurer of the East Central South Dakota Habitat for Humanity, and he is on the board of directors for the Lake Area Improvement Corporation.

Through it all, Jeff's devotion to his family is his number one priority. Even as his responsibilities at East River Electric changed and grew, his commitment to his family never wavered. Jeff and Trudi have two children, Erik and Katie. Erik and his wife, Stacy, live in Sioux Falls, while Katie resides in nearby Marshall, Minnesota.

I congratulate Jeff Nelson for his 30 years of distinguished service. It is with great honor that I share his impressive accomplishments with my colleagues.●

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to

the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

#### EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

#### MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE DURING ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of January 7, 2003, the following enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. STEVENS) on July 23, 2004:

H.R. 1572. An act to designate the United States Courthouse located at 100 North Palafox Street in Pensacola, Florida, as the "Winston E. Arnow United States Courthouse."

H.R. 1914. An act to provide for the issuance of a coin to commemorate the 400th anniversary of the Jamestown settlement.

H.R. 2768. An act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of Chief Justice John Marshall.

H.R. 3277. An act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the 230th Anniversary of the United States Marine Corps, and to support construction of the Marine Corps Heritage Center.

H.R. 4380. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4737 Mile Stretch Drive in Holiday, Florida, as the "Sergeant First Class Paul Ray Smith Post Office Building".

Under the authority of the order of January 7, 2003, the Secretary of the Senate, on July 26, 2004, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 2712. An act to preserve the ability of the Federal Housing Administration to insure mortgages under sections 238 and 519 of the National Housing Act.

Under authority of the order of the Senate of January 7, 2003, the Secretary of the Senate, on July 27, 2004, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 2712. An act to preserve the ability of the Federal Housing Administration to insure mortgages under sections 238 and 519 of the National Housing Act.

H.R. 2443. An act to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal year 2005, to amend various laws administered by the Coast Guard, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3340. An act to redesignate the facilities of the United States Postal Service located at 7715 and 7748 S. Cottage Grove Avenue in Chicago, Illinois, as the "James E. Worsham Post Office" and the "James E. Worsham Carrier Annex Building", respectively, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3463. An act to amend titles III and IV of the Social Security Act to improve the ad-

ministration of unemployment taxes and benefits.

H.R. 4222. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 550 Nebraska Avenue in Kansas City, Kansas, as the "Newell George Post Office Building".

H.R. 4226. An act to amend title 49, United States Code, to make certain conforming changes to provisions governing the registration of aircraft and the recordation of instruments in order to implement the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment and the Protocol to the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment on Matters Specific to Aircraft Equipment, known as the "Cape Town Treaty".

H.R. 4327. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7450 Natural Bridge Road in St. Louis, Missouri, as the "Vitalis 'Veto' Reid Post Office Building".

H.R. 4417. An act to modify certain deadlines pertaining to machine-readable, tamper-resistant entry and exit documents.

H.R. 4427. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 73 South Euclid Avenue in Montauk, New York, as the "Perry B. Duryea, Jr. Post Office".

H.R. 4613. An act making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4842. An act to implement the United States-Morocco Free Trade Agreement.

H.R. 4916. An act to provide an extension of highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a law reauthorizing the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century.

Under the authority of the order of July 22, 2004, the enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the Acting President pro tempore (Mr. WARNER) on July 27, 2004.

#### ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTION PRESENTED DURING ADJOURNMENT

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on July 23, 2004, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills and joint resolution:

S. 741. An act to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with regard to new animal drugs, and for other purposes.

S. 2264. An act to require a report on the conflict in Uganda, and for other purposes.

S.J. Res. 38. Joint resolution providing for the appointment of Eli Broad as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on July 28, 2004, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 2712. An act to preserve the ability of the Federal Housing Administration to insure mortgages under sections 238 and 519 of the National Housing Act.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 1:19 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3313. An act to amend title 28, United States Code, to limit Federal court jurisdiction over questions under the Defense of Marriage Act.

H.R. 4056. An act to encourage the establishment of both long-term and short-term programs to address the threat of man-portable air defense systems (MANPADS) to commercial aviation.

H.R. 4175. An act to increase, effective as of December 1, 2004, the rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain service-connected disabled veterans, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4837. An act making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolutions, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 418. Concurrent resolution recognizing the importance in history of the 150th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between the United States and Japan.

H. Con. Res. 436. Concurrent resolution celebrating 10 years of majority rule in the Republic of South Africa and recognizing the momentous social and economic achievements of South Africa since the institution of democracy in that country.

H. Con. Res. 467. Concurrent resolution declaring genocide in Darfur, Sudan.

H. Con. Res. 469. Concurrent resolution condemning the attack on the AMIA Jewish Community Center in Buenos Aires, Argentina, in July 1994 and expressing the concern of the United States regarding the continuing, decade-long delay in the resolution of this case.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE DURING ADJOURNMENT

Under authority of the order of the Senate January 7, 2003, the Secretary of the Senate, on September 7, 2004, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 5005. An act making emergency appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, for additional disaster assistance.

#### EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR DISASTER RELIEF ACT OF 2004

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 5005

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, to provide emergency supplemental appropriations for additional disaster assistance, namely:

#### DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE

##### DISASTER RELIEF

For an additional amount for "Disaster Relief", \$2,000,000,000, to remain available until expended, of which up to \$30,000,000 may be transferred to "Small Business Ad-

ministration—Salaries and Expenses", for administrative expenses to carry out the disaster loans program authorized by section 7(b) of the Small Business Act: *Provided*, That the amounts provided herein are designated as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 402 of S. Con. Res. 95 (108th Congress), as made applicable to the House of Representatives by H. Res. 649 (108th Congress) and applicable to the Senate by section 14007 of Public Law 108-287.

This Act may be cited as the "Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Act, 2004".

#### MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 3313. An act to amend title 28, United States Code, to limit Federal court jurisdiction over questions under the Defense of Marriage Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 3574. An act to require the mandatory expensing of stock options granted to executive officers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

H.R. 3819. An act to redesignate Fort Clatsop National Memorial as the Lewis and Clark National Historical Park, to include in the park sites in the State of Washington as well as the State of Oregon, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 3884. An act to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 615 East Houston Street in San Antonio, Texas, as the "Hipolito F. Garcia Federal Building and United States Courthouse"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 3936. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the principal office of the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims to be at any location in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area, rather than only in the District of Columbia, and expressing the sense of Congress that a dedicated Veterans Courthouse and Justice Center should be provided for that Court and those it serves and should be located, if feasible, at a site owned by the United States that is part of or proximate to the Pentagon Reservation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H.R. 4011. An act to promote human rights and freedom in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.R. 4056. An act to encourage the establishment of both long-term and short-term programs to address the threat of man-portable air defense systems (MANPADS) to commercial aviation; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 4175. An act to increase, effective as of December 1, 2004, the rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain service-connected disabled veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H.R. 4259. An act to amend title 31, United States Code, to improve the financial accountability requirements applicable to the Department of Homeland Security, to establish requirements for the Future Years Homeland Security Program of the Department, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 4294. To designate the annex to the E. Barrett Prettyman Federal Building and

United States Courthouse located at 333 Constitution Avenue Northwest in the District of Columbia as the "William B. Bryant Annex"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 4608. An act to name the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic located in Peoria, Illinois, as the "Bob Michel Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H.R. 4660. An act to amend the Millennium Challenge Act of 2003 to extend the authority to provide assistance to countries seeking to become eligible countries for purposes of that Act; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.R. 4816. An act to permit the Librarian of Congress to hire Library of Congress Police employees; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

H.R. 4840. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to simplify the taxation of businesses; to the Committee on Finance.

H.R. 4841. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to simplify certain tax rules for individuals; to the Committee on Finance.

H.R. 4850. An act making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Appropriations.

H.R. 4879. An act to increase the military housing private investment cap; to the Committee on Armed Services.

The following concurrent resolutions were read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 301. Concurrent resolution supporting the goals and ideals of the World Year of Physics; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H. Con. Res. 418. Concurrent resolution recognizing the importance in history of the 150th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between the United States and Japan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H. Con. Res. 436. Concurrent resolution celebrating 10 years of majority rule in the Republic of South Africa and recognizing the momentous social and economic achievements of South Africa since the institution of democracy in that country; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H. Con. Res. 467. Concurrent resolution declaring genocide in Darfur, Sudan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H. Con. Res. 469. Concurrent resolution condemning the attack on the AMIA Jewish Community Center in Buenos Aires, Argentina, in July 1994 and expressing the concern of the United States regarding the continuing, decade-long delay in the resolution of this case; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

#### MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 4837. An act making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, and for other purposes.

#### MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time: